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APPLICATION NO.	FILING DATE	FIRST NAMED INVENTOR	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	CONFIRMATION NO.
09/838,091	04/19/2001	Norman R. Bourgeois	C01019US (08395 . 7C5)	1805

TITLE OF INVENTION: GAS FIRED OUTDOOR COOKING APPARATUS

TOTAL CLAIMS	APPLN. TYPE	SMALL ENTITY	ISSUE FEE	PUBLICATION FEE	TOTAL FEE(S) DUE	DATE DUE
63	nonprovisional	YES	\$640	\$0	\$640	07/11/2002

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Application No.

Applicant(s) 09/838,091

Bourgeois

Notice of Allowability Examiner

Timothy F. Simone

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS. This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.
1. X This communication is responsive to April 02, 2002
2. X The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-63
3. X The drawings filed on are acceptable as formal drawings.
4. Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).
a) \square All b) \square Some* c) \square None of the:
1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No
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(a) \square including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
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1 Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) 2 Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
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7 ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material 9 ☐ Other
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